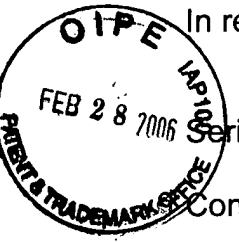


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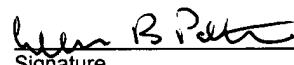
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 27, 2005

In response to the Office Action dated September 27, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 27, 2005, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Applicants herewith petition the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office to extend the time for reply to the Office Action dated September 27, 2005 for two months from December 27, 2005 to February 27, 2006. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/OLYM/0091.P1/WBP the fee of \$225 for a two month extension of time and for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.